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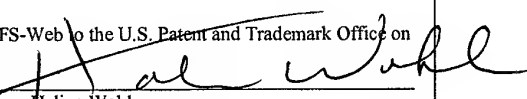
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SUPPLEMENTAL RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Advisory Action mailed March 11, 2009, please find a Terminal Disclaimer that is re-filed in response to the Final Office Action mailed December 8, 2008. A Petition for Extension of Time is filed concurrently with this response, extending the period of response from March 8, 2009 to April 8, 2009.

The Terminal disclaimer is filed in response to an obvious-type double patenting rejection of claims 1, 25, 30, and 38. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request that the obviousness-type double patenting rejection be withdrawn.

Additionally, according to the Advisory Action dated March 11, 2009, the Examiner has withdrawn all other objections and rejections to the specification, drawings, and claims. As

such, Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner issue a Notice of Allowance for claims 1-12, 14-16, 18-21, and 25-40 at the Examiner's earliest convenience.

This Supplemental Response is filed concurrently with a Petition for a one-month Extension of Time, extending the period of response from March 8, 2009 to April 8, 2009. It is believed that no further fees are due with this Response. However, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiencies or credit any overpayment with respect to this patent application to deposit account number 13-2725.

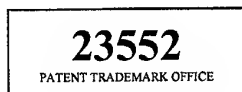
In light of the Terminal Disclaimer, it is believed that claims 1-12, 14-16, 18-21, and 25-40 are now in condition for allowance, and such action is respectfully requested. Should any additional issues need to be resolved, the Examiner is respectfully requested to telephone the undersigned to attempt to resolve those issues.

Respectfully submitted,



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